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Also enclosed is a copy of a French Search Report issued in the corresponding foreign application.

DE 197 43 784 and corresponding U.S. Patent No. 6,557,485 disclose a dual integrated gauge system for simultaneous display of two associated parameters.

DE 43 18 535 and the English language abstract attached thereto disclose a multi-pointer display instrument for at least two display functions.

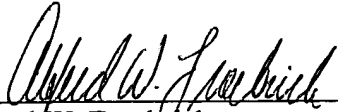
DE 39 06 721 and the English language abstract attached thereto disclose a pointer instrument.

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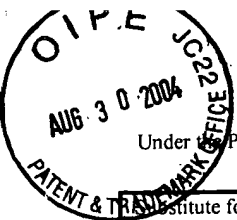
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